ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT INNOVATION SHOWCASE

During the Energy & Environment Innovation Showcase, **E&C Republican Leader Greg Walden (R-OR)** will join noted public opinion researcher **Kristen Soltis Anderson** for a discussion on climate change solutions. Read their bios below.



Kristen Soltis Anderson is a pollster, speaker, commentator, and author of *The Selfie Vote: Where Millennials Are Leading America (And How Republicans Can Keep Up).*

Kristen is co-founder of Echelon Insights, an opinion research and analytics firm that serves brands, trade associations, nonprofits, and political clients. Through her work at Echelon, she regularly advises corporate and government leaders on polling and messaging strategy, and has become one of the foremost experts on the Millennial generation. Kristen is also a frequent speaker to corporate and political audiences

about emerging public opinion trends.

Kristen is a regular presence on television news and has served as an ABC News political analyst, participating in their election night coverage in 2016. She regularly appears on programs such as MSNBC's *Morning Joe*, Fox News' *Fox News Sunday*, CNN's *The Lead with Jake Tapper* and HBO's *Real Time With Bill Maher.*

Kristen is the host of SiriusXM's "The Trendline with Kristen Soltis Anderson," airing weekly on their POTUS politics channel. She also co-hosts the bipartisan weekly podcast, "The Pollsters," featuring Democratic pollster Margie Omero. She is a regular columnist for *The Washington Examiner* and has written for *The Washington Post, The New York Times* and more.

Originally from Orlando, Florida, Kristen now resides in Washington, DC with her husband Chris and her golden retriever Wally. In her free time, she enjoys growing chili peppers and cheering for the Florida Gators.



Representative Greg Walden (R-OR) represents the people of Oregon's Second Congressional District, which includes 20 counties in central, southern, and eastern Oregon. Walden, 60, is a lifelong Oregonian whose ancestors came to Oregon by wagon train in 1845.

He and his wife Mylene celebrated 36 years of marriage in August 2018, and make their home in Hood River where they've been small business owners since 1986. Their son, Anthony graduated from Hood River Valley High School and Wake Forest University. His parents are graduates of the University of Oregon.

Walden and his wife spent more than two decades as radio station owners in the Gorge. He's also a licensed amateur radio operator (W7EQI). He put that small business and technology experience to work as chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.

In the 115th Congress, Walden served as the Chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee. Under Walden's leadership, the Energy and Commerce Committee held hearings and passed legislation to protect <u>clean air</u>, <u>clean water</u>, and <u>clean land</u>, boost <u>nuclear energy</u> and <u>clean up nuclear waste</u>.

In the 116th Congress, Walden serves as the Republican Leader of the Energy and Commerce Committee, and has called on the committee work together to find bipartisan climate solutions.

